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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to the Notice to File Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 In The United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), mailed March 18, 2002 in this application. With the extension, the response is due on or before June 18, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00, in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 24356-001NATL (BSW-1 NATL). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

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